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In response to the Office Action of August 31, 2007, please amend the above-referenced U.S. patent application as follows: